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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

T. William Hutchens *et al.*

Application No.: 10/626,303

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY
AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 22, 2004,
Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-24, without traverse. This response
is accompanied by a five-month Request for Extension of Time.

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